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Note verbale dated 12 July 2004 from the Permanent Mission of Iceland to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee

The Permanent Mission of Iceland to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1533 (2004) and has the honour to refer to his note (SCA/01/04 (11)) in which he requested information on the measures taken by Iceland to implement the measures adopted by the Security Council concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo. In this respect, the Permanent Mission of Iceland has the honour to report that, according to the Weapons Act No. 16/1998, all trade in arms, including export and import, is unlawful unless special permission has been granted by the National Commissioner of the Icelandic Police. Failure to comply with the provisions of this Act is punishable by deprivation of liberty for a maximum period of up to four years. Iceland, therefore, already has a strict export control in this respect. No such exports are granted to armed groups or militias operating in the territory of North and South Kivu and of Ituri, and to groups not parties to the Global and All-Inclusive Agreement on the Transition in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, in accordance with paragraph 20 of Security Council resolution 1493 (2004).

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